

THE BICENTENNIAL YEAR 1976 had special meanings for those of us who live and work in Williamsburg. For us, it was marked by a dual celebration:

It was the two hundredth anniversary of the remarkable events that earned the colonial Virginia capital its reputation as a cradle of American liberty.

It was also the fiftieth birthday of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, during which we commemorated the fruitful collaboration between its founders, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and the Reverend W. A. R. Goodwin.

Obviously, Williamsburg would be quite a different city today if those stirring events of 1776 had not taken place here. It was the inspiring story of Virginia leadership in the cause of Revolution that motivated both Mr. Rockefeller and Dr. Goodwin in their early work. The same inspiration marks the Foundation's efforts today.

Colonial Williamsburg is, indeed, both fortunate and proud to be able to present this ever-appealing chapter in our history through its varied programs of interpretation—on the streets and greens and in the buildings where history was made. It is toward this end that *Revolution in Williamsburg* is presented.

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